

**REMARKS**

This is a full and complete response to the Office action dated September 7, 2006.

All comments and remarks of record are herein incorporated by reference. Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections and all comments made in the Office action. Nevertheless, in an effort to expedite prosecution, Applicant provides the following remarks regarding the cited references.

**DISPOSITION OF CLAIMS**

Claims 1-15 and 17 are pending in the application. Applicants amend claim 17 to add a period. Claims 16 and 18 have been canceled. No new matter has been added.

**REJECTION UNDER 35 USC §103**

Claim 16 stands rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being patentable over **Lesieur**, US 6,620,389 in view of **Balko et al.**, US 6,176,078 (“**Balko**”). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

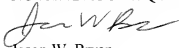
Applicants have canceled claim 16 thereby obviating the above rejection. Applicants respectfully assert the instant claims are in allowable condition.

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**Conclusion**

Having addressed all issues set out in the Office action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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